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## TYURATAM LAUNCH COMPLEX "A"

THIS MAJOR INSTALLATION WAS FIRST IDENTIFIED ON U-2 PHOTOGRAPHY IN AUGUST 1957. IT WAS THE ONLY PAD THAT EXISTED AT THAT TIME. SOME TWO WEEKS LATER THE SOVIETS LAUNCHED THEIR FIRST ICBM (THE SS-6) FROM THIS PAD.

THE FIRST SOVIET ASTRONAUT, MAJ. YURI GAGARIN, MADE HIS FLIGHT FROM THIS PAD ON 12 APRIL 1961.

THE U-2 OVERFLIGHTS OF TYURATAM ALLOWED US TO MONITOR ACTIVITIES AT THIS INSTALLATION.

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